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Randolph EMC Celebrates 76 Years at Annual Meeting

“Powering Communities, Empowering Members” was the theme as an estimated 1,200 people crowded the Southwest Randolph High School gymnasium for Randolph EMC’s 76th Annual Meeting, held on June 20. Nearly 530 REMC members registered at the meeting for their chance to win one of several door prizes and to receive parting gifts that included a bucket, kneeling pad, rain gauge and thermometer.

Members enjoyed free homemade ice cream from Gilbert’s Old Fashioned Homemade Ice Cream, a children’s magic show performed by David Hersh of Magic by David, safety demonstrations and informational booths. The event also included live bluegrass entertainment by The Ash Breeze Band, who was recently signed to the Mountain Fever Record label.

During the business meeting, REMC Board President Bob Wright and Chief Executive Officer Dale Lambert thanked and praised the employees, members and contractors for their dedication and hard work during the March ice storm, which devastated parts of Randolph, Alamance and Chatham counties.

In a special presentation, Line Superintendent Mike Hodges, and Linemen Brice Long, Tony Cole, Brian Hicks, Skip Jobe and Larry Mitchem were recognized for “going above and beyond” in their jobs during recent storms. They were each presented with a Touchstone Energy Power & Hope award to recognize their efforts.

Members also heard the financial report for



the cooperative, learned about new services and programs available to members, and heard an update of Randolph EMC’s community involvement over the past year, as well.

Before the meeting’s conclusion, members were asked to sign cards giving REMC permission to contact the Environmental Protection Agency regarding newly proposed regulations on greenhouse gas emissions that would negatively impact rates in the future. In addition, all three incumbent directors—Bob Wright (District 2), Jerry Bowman (District 4), and Tammie Phillips (District 7)—were re-elected.

Randolph EMC would like to thank all of the members who attended this year’s annual meeting!

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More Scenes from the 76th Annual Meeting



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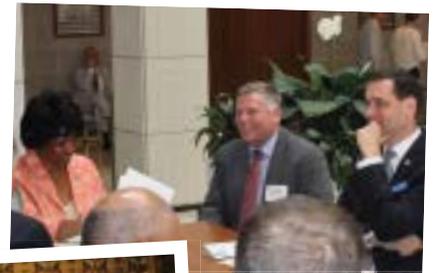


Electric Co-ops Discuss Energy Issues With State Legislators

More than 160 board members and employees from North Carolina's electric cooperatives met at the state legislature June 24–25 for the co-ops' annual 'Rally in Raleigh.' Representatives from Randolph EMC included Tammie Phillips, District 7 Director; Dale Lambert, CEO; Fred Smith, Vice President of Member and Public Relations; Jill Vanness, Director of Communications; and Lauren Ingold, Public Relations Coordinator.

These cooperative leaders talked to legislators about issues that affect the reliability and cost of the power provided to electric cooperative members. "Our ability to provide members with affordable, reliable power is REMC's main focus, and we use this event as an opportunity to educate legislators on the issues that affect energy bills back home," said Dale Lambert. "It's important for them to know what kind of impact their decisions will have on their constituents," he added.

Cooperative employees and board members also shared their successes with projects they are completing in their districts, including new construction, energy efficiency, economic development, community outreach and more.



Randolph EMC representatives met with several legislators in June, including Sen. Valerie Foushee, Rep. Graig Meyer, Rep. Dennis Riddell and Rep. Jamie Boles, among others.



Calculate Your Allocation

- 1** Add together all of the energy-related charges from each monthly electric bill you received in 2013.
- 2** Add together the totals from each month's bill obtained in Step 1 to find the total for the year.
- 3** Multiply this total by 0.03145. This will give you the Capital Credits amount allocated to your account for 2013.

Capital Credits Allocated for 2013

Capital credits are one of the core differences between investor-owned utilities and co-ops. Because members enjoy ownership of the company, each year they receive a share of the co-op's net margins—the amount of money that is left over after paying all expenses for the year. The cooperative refers to these shares as Capital Credits.

Randolph EMC's net margins totaled \$1,846,942 at the close of 2013. This amount has been disbursed among the Capital Credit accounts of members who had an active electric account during the year. Each member's share is based on a percentage of the \$1,846,942, calculated by how much electricity the member purchased and the rate at which the electric account was billed.

Remember, the check you received in June that included capital credits from 2013 only represents a portion of 2013's total allocation.

Trinity High Teacher Jandra Dillon Spends Five Days in the Co-op World

Each year, Randolph EMC hosts an educator for one week as part of the Asheboro/Randolph Chamber of Commerce's Summer Teacher



Internship Program. This year, the co-op welcomed Mrs. Jandra Dillon, a Marketing teacher at Trinity High School as our guest.

Mrs. Dillon spent five days learning the inner workings of the electric cooperative business. Over the course of the week, she spent time with member service representatives, billing specialists, engineers, GIS technicians, energy use advisors and communications specialists. Mrs. Dillon even spent the day with REMC's overhead line crew, observing the replacement of both three-phase and single-phase poles. With each employee she visited, she inquired about their educational background so that she could gain better understanding of what skills the business is looking for in a potential employee.

Thank you, Mrs. Dillon, for participating in the Chamber's Teacher Internship program!

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Lazy Boy leather power recliner & loveseat, like new, 3 months old, Wheat color, \$2,000. Valued at \$3,900. 910-464-3810 or 910-464-4000.

Delta 36" Wood Lathe w/ Duplicator \$1395. Scoop Pan w/ 3 point hitch, fits any tractor \$275. 336-879-8294.

Dolly Partin, Shirley Temple & Marilyn Monroe porcelain dolls. 336-672-2815.

Wooden playhouse swing set, needs some repairs \$70. 336-683-5229.

Lightly used 7-piece Broyhill dining room set. Table w/ leaf & four chairs. Matching 2-piece china cabinet w/ light in top. All items VGC. \$900. Located in Asheboro, off Zoo Parkway. 336-629-4553.

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Barn, 75 years old, you take down. \$2,000 OBO. 1994 Martin D-1 Guitar \$600. 1911 Victrola w/ records \$100. Eight Day Clock \$200. Illinois Railroad Pocket Watch \$100. Two old Fireplace Mantels \$200 each. Old transit \$25. 336-381-4710.

Color TV's cable ready \$20 - \$30 each. Collectables \$5 each. Flower vases \$1 each. Christmas tree in box \$5. New Sentry safe \$20. 336-879-3320.

4 ea. 40' long & 4 ea. 10' long power poles, you move, all for \$150.

150 amp. breaker box w/ 14 breakers, meter base & weather head, all for \$150. 336-873-7374.

Organic square bales horse quality hay, orchard & fescue, rye & fescue, late season coastal bermuda & fescue, 40 lb. bales, out of field pick up \$2.85 & up, off trailer \$3.75 & up, in barn \$4.25 & up, Liberty area. 336-317-4105.

3,000 Red Sex Sal Link pullets, chickens at laying age 16 weeks plus, vaccinated & debeaked, \$6.75 & up, Liberty area. 336-708-2998.

WANTED: 8" used cinder blocks at reasonable price. 336-963-9325.

FOR RENT: Vacation Rental at Holden Beach. Singlewide mobile home 2 bedroom 1 bath. \$500 weekly, \$300 deposit. 910-303-5578.

Members, email SwapShop items to General@RandolphEMC.com

Randolph EMC Sends Students to Wolfpack, Roy Williams Basketball Camps

Two local middle school students shot hoops and ran drills at basketball camps hosted by two of the state's largest universities, thanks to Touchstone Energy Sports Camp Scholarships from Randolph EMC.

Molly Teel, a student at Southwestern Randolph Middle School, attended the Wolfpack Women's Basketball Camp June 23–26 at North Carolina State University in Raleigh. Molly is the daughter of Donna Hogan and Harold Teel of Asheboro.

Noah Watkins took to the court June 21–25 at the Roy Williams Carolina Basketball Camp at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Noah is a student at

South Asheboro Middle School and is the son of Donnie and Abbey Watkins of Asheboro.

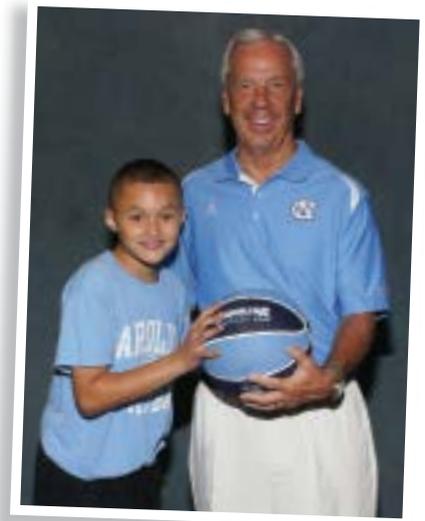
“Randolph EMC is pleased to give these outstanding

students a unique opportunity to experience life on a college campus and to receive instruction from two of the ACC's finest coaches,” said Lauren Ingold, Public Relations Coordinator at Randolph

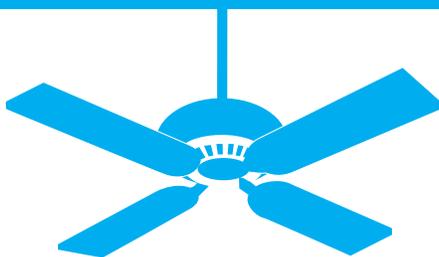
EMC. “These camps develop fundamental skills that will help the young athletes excel both on and off the court. We're delighted to have them represent our co-op.”

During camp, students stayed in dorms on campus and worked directly with coaches and athletes to hone basketball skills and practice working cooperatively with teammates.

The co-ops' partnership with universities and coaches provides a unique educational and athletic opportunity for our state's youth and keeps with Touchstone Energy's core values of accountability, integrity, innovation and commitment to community. Randolph EMC will begin accepting applications for the 2015 camps in January.



TOGETHER WE SAVE

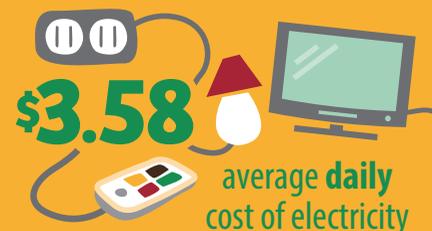


During summer months, our homes can be extremely hot, making living conditions uncomfortable.

Before you fire up your air conditioner, try cooling off with a ceiling fan first. Using ceiling fans can actually raise your thermostat setting by 4 degrees and still feel just as comfortable.

Source: U.S. Department of Energy

THE VALUE OF *Electricity*



Electricity is expressed on a daily basis using EIA 2013 Average U.S. Monthly Residential Bill of \$107

AWARE

a word about
Randolph Electric

by Dale Lambert, CEO

Dear Members,

I want to thank our members and their families that attended Randolph EMC's 76th annual meeting. Through your participation, the cooperative business model remains as strong and viable today as it was when the founders of Randolph EMC sought to meet a great need in their local communities—delivering reliable and affordable energy to their friends and neighbors.

We reviewed several topics at this annual meeting. Some of the highlights were the distribution of capital credits to the members, the treasurer's report, and the cooperative's investment in our local communities over the past year. We also reflected back on the March ice storm and the damage it caused in the northern section of our service territory, and covered new service offerings, such as MyUsage and FlexPay, which allow you to take control of your energy usage.

In addition, we discussed how new regulations being proposed by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)—under the direction of the Obama Administration—will impact existing power plants.

These latest regulations target existing coal plants and come on the heels of previously released regulations that targeted new coal plants that would have been constructed. The EPA regulations for new coal plants were so stringent that coal has basically been eliminated as a viable fuel source for future electricity generation. This is true even though we have vast coal reserves within our borders.

These newly proposed regulations have the potential to substantially reduce coal as a fuel source for existing coal plants in operation today, as well. Nationally, the target is to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, such as carbon dioxide, by 30% by the year 2030.



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by visiting Action.coop or by returning
the form on the next page to REMC**

The EPA has determined different targets for each state to meet, though. North Carolina has been targeted for a 39.8% reduction, which is greater than the national goal. Even though the EPA does provide flexibility for each state to meet the proposed mandate, the issue with this approach is that the efforts we've already made in reducing greenhouse emissions are essentially being ignored.

Coal plants may have to be shut down and investments in new generation plants will have to be made. Higher costs in electricity generation mean higher costs for you.

Currently, only 13% of Randolph EMC's generation mix is from coal generation, as compared to 36% in 2005. We're concerned that in order to meet the newly proposed standard, coal plants may have to be shut down and investments in new generation plants will have to be made. Higher costs in electricity generation mean higher costs for you.

From the date these proposed regulations were published in the Federal Registry on June 18, we have a window of 120 days to respond with comments to the EPA. As I did at the annual meeting, I am asking you to help us get word to the EPA that a balanced approach is critical for our electricity generation and costs must be taken into account before the regulations are finalized by June 2015.

If you are willing to help in our response to the EPA, please complete the card below and return it to your local REMC office. Or, you may access the Cooperative Action Network online at Action.coop. It's very easy to complete and the process will take less than a minute.

Since the window of time to respond is short, now is the time to make your concerns known. Your voice can help us continue to provide safe, affordable and reliable power well into the future. I'm counting on your help!

Cooperatively Yours,



Dale F. Lambert
Chief Executive Officer

Mail this form to P.O. Box 40, Asheboro, NC 27204 or send it in with your next payment.

Please add me to the Cooperative Action Network!

By filling out this form, I authorize Randolph EMC & America's Electric Cooperatives to communicate about electricity challenges on my behalf.

Name (as it appears on your bill)

Address

City

State

ZIP

Phone

Email

Account #

Signature

WIN A TRUCK!



Sign up to participate in Randolph EMC's People Helping People program for at least 24 months and you'll be entered to win a 2006 Chevrolet Colorado 4-Wheel Drive Truck that has been retired from the REMC fleet!

**Drawing for truck will take place December 19, 2014. Awarded as is.*



People Helping People

Round Up to Give a Hand Up with Randolph EMC

People Helping People (PHP) is a non-profit program that enables members to "round up" their monthly electric bills to the nearest dollar. The extra change goes into the People Helping People account, which is used to fund requests for assistance from other members in need of financial help.

- Maximum participation never exceeds \$11.88 per year.
- All donations are tax deductible. PHP is an approved 501(c)(3) not-for-profit foundation.
- Monthly contributions will be indicated on your bill.
- Each PHP application is carefully reviewed by a member-led Board of Directors to ensure donations are used responsibly.

Send in this form with your next payment or mail to P.O. Box 40, Asheboro, NC 27204 to be entered into the truck drawing!

Yes, I want to join People Helping People!



By filling out this form, I agree to round up my REMC electric bill to the nearest dollar each month for a minimum of 24 months.

Name (as it appears on your bill)

Address

City

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Phone

Email

Account #

Signature